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TO AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: EAIR, SN

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: LETTER TO FINANCE MINISTER

REF: SINGAPORE 1185

1. DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZES THAT MUCH OF CONTENT OF HON'S
REMARKS WAS FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION AND AS LONG AS THEY ARE
NOT TAKEN SERIOUSLY BY THE PRINCIPALS THERE IS NO HARM
DONE. HOWEVER, SINCE THE DANGER THAT THIS RATIONALIZATION
WILL BECOME DOGMA IS EVER-PRESENT IT SHOULD, THEREFORE,
BE COUNTERED. AMBASSADOR'S PROPOSED LETTER IS APPROPRIATE
METHOD IN WHICH DEPT CONCURS. FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL POINTS
SUGGESTED:

(A) IN LAST TWO MEETINGS, USDEL OFFERED VIABLE ROUTE TO US
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AND, IN FACT, CHAIRMAN OF DELEGATION WENT BEYOND INSTRUCTIONS BOTH TIMES IN EFFORT TO REACH AGREEMENT;
(B) THE FACT THAT FINAL PROPOSAL INCLUDED TOYKO, A POINT PREVIOUSLY REFUSED, PLUS HONG KONG 5TH FREEDOM CARGO RIGHTS, PROVES USDEL'S WILLINGNESS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT SINGAPORE'S NEEDS;
(C) REASON FOR LACK OF PROGRESS IN TALKS MUST BE PLACED ON

SINGAPORE'S INSISTENCE ON EXTENSIVE FIFTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC RIGHTS, RIGHTS WHICH SINGAPORE CONSISTENTLY DENIED TO PAN AMERICAN FOR MANY YEARS;

(D) USDEL CANNOT INCLUDE FIFTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC RIGHTS IN AGREEMENT BECAUSE IT BELIEVES THIS WOULD RESULT IN AN IMBALANCE OF OPPORTUNITY; THE SINGAPORE DELEGATION HAS, HOWEVER, PERSISTED IN SEEKING THESE RIGHTS AT A NUMBER OF EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THIRD COUNTRY POINTS; AND

(E) WE HAVE, IN SUMMARY, BEEN RESPONSIVE TO SINGAPORE'S STATED NEED FOR A UNITED STATES-SINGAPORE SERVICE. WE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT (AS PARA 3(C) REFTEL PUTS IT), WITH CONTINUED EFFORT A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AGREEMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED.

2. SUGGEST PARA 3(D) REFTEL BE DELETED AS POSSIBLY MISLEADING. REQUEST TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S LETTER BE CABLED DEPT., ATTENTION: EB/AN AND EB/IMS, AFTER DELIVERY.
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